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Title: PEPTIDE SPECIFICITY OF ANTI-MYELIN	)		
BASIC PROTEIN AND THE ADMIN-	)		
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1 through 15 which were originally filed. Please insert the following new claims:

16. A method of identifying a multiple sclerosis patient that will exhibit low or undetectable anti-MBP levels in response to treatment with a peptide of from about 8 to about 25 amino acids and having a sequence contained within amino acid residues 61-106 of SEQ ID NO:1, including substitutions, additions or deletions thereof, provided the peptide is capable of